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1. The new ceramics factory of SAG Kabel (formerly HESGUO) is located in Hermisdorf (Thuringia). It was completed in approximately one year's time on a site formerly occupied by a glass-grinding shop making high-frequency parts. Operation of the plant began around the middle of November 1949 and continues to the present, apparently without difficulty.
2. The recently constructed baking plant comprises 12 new ovens of 60 cubic meters capacity each of which are heated with generator gas. In addition to these new ovens, SAG Kabel has 18 round ovens formerly in the old factory. Six more ovens are located in the affiliated plant at KÖnitz where insulators for overhead wires and for other uses are made. Since the former HESGUO plant has been not only enlarged but also better equipped, it is now possible to produce ceramic pieces up to 700 liters in content and antenna and base insulators of sufficient size to carry a load of 1,000 tons.
3. The large high-tension test field is again in operation and has at its disposal voltages up to 1.5 million volts. The surge voltage test installation is also said to be functioning again.

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